

**METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR IMPLEMENTING SECURITY FILTERS FOR
REPORTING SYSTEMS**

Abstract

5 Security filters that manage user access to data based on user identification and other data
when a user attempts to access information via a query or other mechanisms. Security filters may
be implemented to prevent users from viewing or otherwise accessing certain data in a database
or other source of information in a reporting or other system. The level of access authorized by a
security filter may be based on a user's role, capabilities, or other criteria. For example, a
10 regional manager may have a security filter that allows a user to view data from the user's
particular region regardless of the report the user runs. A security filter may include a filter
expression, a top level and a bottom level where each component may be further define a user's
ability to access certain data.